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HIGH COURT OF CHHATTISGARH AT BILASPUR

Single Bench : Hon'ble Shri H.L. Dattu, C.J.

W.P. No.708 of 2002

Petitioner Vinod Kumar Bharat, S/o Late Shri S.Bharat, Resident of Jarhagaon, Dist. Bilaspur (C.G.)

Vs.

Respondents

1. State of Chhattisgarh, Through Collector, Bilaspur
2. Conservator of Forest, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh

Present : Shri Vimlesh Bajpai, counsel for the petitioner.
Shri Sanjay S. Agrawal, Government Advocate for the State/respondents.

ORAL ORDER
(Passed on 19th March, 2007)

This writ petition is filed under Article 227 of the Constitution of India, inter alia, questioning the orders passed by the respondents – authorities. By the impugned orders, the respondents have confiscated the vehicle bearing registration No.MP-26C/0536.

(2) All the authorities under the M.P. Vanopaj Vyapar Vinimay Adhiniyam, 1969 have concurrently come to the conclusion that the vehicle in question has been used for committing a forest offence. This concurrent finding of fact, normally in exercise of supervisory jurisdiction of this Court, is not interfered with.

(3) The petitioner nor his learned counsel is in a position to tell me any new circumstance to interfere with the concurrent finding of the respondents – authorities.

(4) In that view of the matter, I am of the opinion that the concurrent finding of the respondents – authorities need not be disturbed by me in exercise of power under Article 227 of the Constitution.

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(5) Accordingly, the writ petition requires to be and is rejected. Ordered accordingly.

CHIEF JUSTICE